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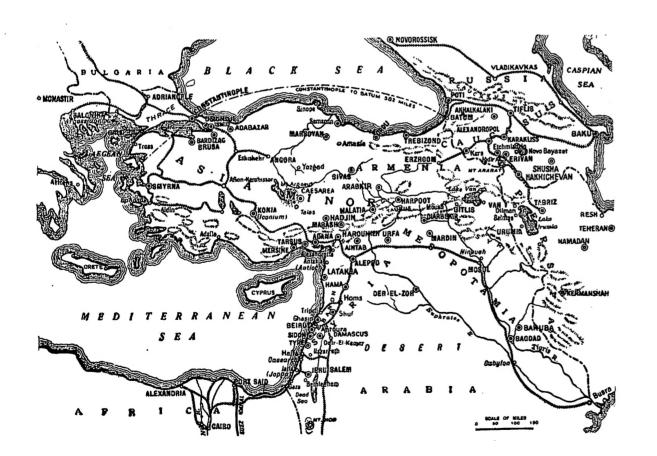
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Dear Friends.

We have been enjoying the spring sunshine, and with it has come new life to the trees and flowers. As I have watched the growing buds I have been reminded of little Armenian children who need the same care, affection, and tender training as our own. Out of the thousands of orphans scattered throughout the Near East our Society is only able to maintain the support

From all parts of Asia Minor we receive increasing appeals for financial support. In Trans-Caucasia also misery abounds, and help for the suffering and starving in that region is urgently needed.

In a former issue it was announced that Miss Salmond and Miss Frearson were expected to arrive in the spring. I am now glad to add we hope these friends will reach London about the end of May, so that by the time this Magazine is in the hands of our readers. they will probably be here. Friends wishing to send letters of welcome to Miss Salmond and Miss Frearson can address communications to care of the Secretary, who will gladly forward the same. Miss Santooht Davityan will accompany Miss Salmond, and give her the necessary care on the journey.

Recent information from N. Syria tells of a number of Marash orphans and adult refugees reaching Beirut. Some of the former are being cared for at Shemlan. On the arrival of the refugees. Miss Frearson sent sufficient materials for them to start industrial work. Miss Coomber took charge of this new branch of work. and found a willing assistant in Miss Davityan, one of the first orphans supported by the "Friends of Armenia " at Marash, and who now accompanies Miss Salmond to England.

After a long period of waiting, Miss Coomber rejoiced to learn that room had been found for her at Alexandretta. She immediately left the Beirut work in charge of Miss Davityan, and journeyed to Alexandretta to join Miss Davies. Hence some of the information from her, to be found in the following pages, comes from Alexandretta.

Various have been the commodities sent during last quarter for relief work at Alexandretta and Beirut. They include blankets, hose-tops, skirts, socks, coats and trousers, mackintosh capes, 20 gross soap tablets. marquee, bell tent, and many cases of clothing, gifts from subscribers and friends. On page 4 Miss Davies emphasises the value of clothing sent. It has been most encouraging, and we are very grateful to have received numerous parcels, containing well-made and useful garments in response to appeal in last maga- anything until you hear from me again. I will write zine. As the future of the Armenian people remains again very soon. Poor, poor people, what is the end of unsettled, Miss Davies continues her plea for cloth- all this to be?

ing. Therefore we renew our appeal for all kinds of garments; they need not be new, but in good condition, either for children or adults. Parcels to be addressed to the Secretary.

As there seems no possibility of the orphans being taken back to Deortyoll, they are to be removed

FROM CICILIA TO THE LEBANON.

In a letter from Miss Davies, dated March 8th, it will be noticed reference is made to a probable transfer of the "Friends of Armenia" orphans from Alexandretta to a village near Shemlan. Since that date we have been gladdened by the offer from Rev. I. R. Spittal, of a set of buildings in this village, some 20 minutes' walk from Shemlan. The name of this place is Ain Anub (Well of Grapes).

We are confident our subscribers will continue their loyal support, thus enabling us to raise sufficient funds to feed, clothe, and shelter these homeless little ones. These children will be in close proximity to Miss Frearson's "family," so that all the "Friends of Armenia"

Orphans will now be on the Lebanon.

The Misses Davies, Frearson, and Burgess each have numbers of Armenian women who seek employment from them, and these representatives also look to us with expectant hope that we shall purchase the work produced by their workers. From July 15-24 a stall of the beautiful Armenian Needlework will be found in Eskin Street, Keswick. Friends are asked to remember these dates, and inspection is invited by all attending the convention.

We know our Heavenly Father loves and cares for these suffering people. In His Name we send this appeal to you, who have so faithfully supported the efforts and appeals of our workers in the Near East, knowing you will still continue to do so.

> Yours gratefully. MARGARET RUSSELL.

GENERAL INFORMATION FROM THE MISSES DAVIES AND COOMBER.

Alexandretta, Svria.

March 3rd, 1922.

"This is just a note to say that there are persistent rumours that these refugees will be sent from Alexandretta. Of course, I do not know how true it is, nor where they will be sent, but I am just letting you know so that you will not send any cases of clothes or

I am now giving out 450 tickets for flour, 50 tickets for rice. 200 tickets for tinned milk, and 165 tickets for clothes. For February I spent for flour 195.00 Syrian pounds. for milk 100 for relief work 150 Material for beds 230 Total 675

I am giving away a good quantity of quinine, but am not buying it, as I still have some from what you sent some months ago. This money in Syrian means about 300 English Pounds, but the March account will be heavier, as I am giving out much more."

March 8th, 1922.

"Every letter I write I find the situation is quite changed from what I found when writing last. The situation now is that the Near East have been obliged to withdraw the 10,000 dollars they had sent here for relief. They are not to blame at all. It was a sum they thought they could give for Alexandretta, and afterwards found they could not do so. Dr. Martin came here purposely to administer that, and now feels he cannot stay, as it is dreadful to see people starving. I sent a cable from Beirut. It was to let you know that no other relief but what is sent by the 'Friends of Armenia ' is now available for Alexandretta. Dr. Martin has cabled to the Board in America to see if they can re-adjust this matter with the New York Near East Committee.

Now that this has happened I feel it is best to get the 54 children that the "Friends of Armenia" are responsible for removed from here, so I have asked Miss Coomber to come here and take them to Beirut. I can obtain a place near Shemlan, at a low rent. We have all decided it is best, now winter is over, to get them away from here. I will send a good responsible native person with Miss Coomber to help her and get them settled. She will just feed them and clothe them and let them run about and get strong for the summer. Then I will join her in the autumn and we will start properly organising our work. I feel I have done right because it is the only thing left to do. I am hoping if I come home to get the support of 100 children. It is not impossible, the Lord is able. He loves these children and sees, their need. I am doing all I can and am so happy with my workers. . . .

This Industrial work, under more suitable conditions than at present, will be a great blessing, and Dr. Martin feels that I ought by all means to plan for it as part of our future permanent work. I think so, too, and hope it will be possible."

March 9th, 1922.

"I received your letter yesterday with enclosed cheque. I am very thankful for it. I am hoping that a way may be opened for all the refugees to leave here, though where they can go is more than I can say. The withdrawal of the money already given by the Near East, and some of which is partly spent, is, of course, a

terrible blow; but as they have no funds, and as there: was some mistake in first sending it, we can say nothing, but pray that it may in some way be possible for the Near East people to have it returned to-Dr. Martin, who is here purposely to administer this money. We are now taking a census of orphans here, and there are a terrible lot of them. It takes a long time to take the census, so I cannot tell you how many in this letter. I wrote you last week that a strong rumour was around that the French were removing the refugees; nothing definite has happened, but I still feel that it is best for you to wait before sending any more cases—they can easily be sent afterwards. I can only write according to how the situation is at the moment of writing. I am so glad you agree with me that I have done right in putting all my strength and time into the general relief: indeed, it was the only thing to do. Mr. McAfee, the Director of the Near East, has just paid a visit here, and he is sad indeed at the state of things, but is trying his best to



THEIR SHELTER A "FRIENDS OF ARMENIA" BLANKET.

have pressure brought on the Government to have them removed; I do hope he will succeed."

"Since writing above, Miss Coomber has arrived. She is glad to be here, and I am thankful that Mrs. Martin has at last found a house, so that she can stay with them while she is here. The first thing we shall do is to choose out 54 of the poorest and most needy orphans. This in itself is a big work, and will take some time, as one has to find out from where the child comes, relatives (if any), past history, etc.; then permission must be granted by the Government for them to leave here, and photos taken and passports got. This is the first step. After that we will fit each child with clothes and a mattress. It certainly is a great business. Your capes have arrived, and if the people leave I will give one to each widow, so that she will have something ready for next winter for herself and little ones. If they stay here (which I pray will not be the case), they will have them ready for next winter's rains. The

blankets have not arrived yet, but am expecting them daily, and the people are waiting eagerly for them. We are going to make some of them into overcoats for the old people; others will be used as mattresses, for many have no beds. I am thankful that the winter is past; our greatest troubles now come from malaria and sickness. I am thankful Miss Coomber was able to come, as I do not have a moment to spare to look up and investigate the poorest children. Miss Webb is very kindly helping with this, and I am very grateful to her. She has had great experience in this work, so will be a help. Really, I do feel that one of my greatest blessings this winter has been the help and sympathy of kind friends, always so willing to help."

alone, so Miss Webb has kindly offered to go with Miss Coomber, and stay with her for a few days, and help her settle the children, as she felt I ought not to leave the relief work just now. So that is splendid, and I am very thankful; it is wonderful how the Lord provides friends to help us right along the way. I am enclosing a letter which I received from Mr. Spittal. I wrote to him asking for information about his buildings at Ain Anub, and this is his answer. I feel it right to accept his offer, as we must try and save some of the children, and it seems to me better to go to Ain Anub for the summer, and let us see what develops. We will not buy any furniture—just beds and clothes for the children until we see what happens. I have all the kitchen things



BLIND REFUGEES:

ALEXANDRIA. MARCH 22ND, 1922.

FRIENDS OF ARMENIA, 47, VICTORIA STREET, LONDON.

OTHER RELIEF HAS BEEN WITHDRAWN. CAN YOU INCREASE YOURS? THE DISTRESS IS ALARMING.

DAVIES.

ALEXANDRETTA.

Fuller information received later explained the Near East Relief had withdrawn a promised grant. Consequently Miss Davies implored further aid.—Ed.

March 24th, 1922.

"I received your kind letter last evening with its enclosed cheque for £208 5s. 6d. Thank you all very much. Miss Coomber is here busy writing and collecting the orphans, whom I am anxious to get away from here, as the heat is beginning, and also a great deal of sickness. She did not feel able to take them

which I had prepared for Deortyoll so that we can manage. I shall plan to go to Ain Anub the first of May, and if it is necessary for me to return here I will do so, but I am hoping very much that these poor refugees will be sent somewhere from here before that time. What an uncertain life we have lived here for the past two years, and still we do not know what the future will be; but the Lord knows, and He has proved to be enough for the past, and we know He will be for the future. I shall always thank God for this past winter's experience; the Lord is true to His promises. As I look back now I feel overwhelmed when I think of His goodness. He raised up helpers for every step of the way, and I, too, want to put up my Ebenezer and say, "Hitherto hath the Lord helped us."

The "Save the Children" Fund money has been a great blessing, and I am thankful we have had it till now, but as that is closing the Lord is sure to open up some other way. We are now giving 700 doses of quinine weekly to children, to try to prevent malaria. besides what we already give to sick ones. I am now employing 230 women and girls. The Aintab work is nicely done, but very soiled; that has been absolutely

unavoidable under the very difficult circumstances in which we have worked. We cannot have them washed and ironed here, but I will take them to Ain Anub, and have them done nicely and send you them. I have also some cushion covers, bags, table cloths, cosy covers, made of Marash and Haroonyia work. The making of these goods has given work to hundreds of poor village women who otherwise would have starved, but the material on which this nice work is done is so coarse that I do not know if you can sell it. We could not get anything else, and still cannot, so we have done the best we could with what material we had. I will send them to you when I clear up things here. We are still giving out flour, rice and milk and soap to 500 families. I am now giving to the old, blind, lame and sick, as I am thankful to say that the money which was withdrawn by the Near East has again been given, and will be spent in providing for orphans and children whose parents are sick. I do not know for how long they will do this, but it is a great blessing for the present. I am very thankful to hear you are sending men's clothing. It will be most useful, and the hose tops I will have made into jerseys for our children. You now have your own 54 children, and I will soon give you their names and histories. We. have carefully chosen them, and we pray that they may be trained to be a blessing to their nation. I forgot to tell you that 10 of your children will be from Kessab. I shall not yet be able to give you their histories, as they are not here, but afterwards I will do so."

April 3rd, 1922.

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" Many of the children we had on our list before have died; others have left for Beirut with anyone they could find to go with. I have now an entirely new list written of 54 of the most needy, and we are very busy getting them ready to start next week. We were hoping to get them off this week, but there is quarantine on for a few days. As I said before, Miss Coomber will take them, and Miss Webb (who is taking down 200 for the Near East) will stay and help Miss Coomber for a few days. I hope to leave here the end of this month, and oh, how dreadfully hard it will be to leave the people in their great need.

Many thanks for the relief money, which is, of course, a great boon to these poor people; their need is very great. I am glad to know about the quinine; there is much malaria, and I am giving out as much as possible. Oh, the skirts which you sent, what a delight they have been to these women! I am promising the men their clothes as soon as they come-they are literally in rags. I am saving some of the hose tops to make into stockings for our children; they will be taught to make them in the summer in readiness for winter; it is such nice wool. We are still giving out flour, rice and milk, and a great deal of medicine. It really troubles me to think of leaving them in this distressful state, but I know it is time to get the children away from here."

Alexandretta.

March 16th, 1922.

"I arrived here safely last Friday, and was very pleased to see Miss Davies again. She has been doing a great work for the refugees; it is really wonderful in so short a time and under such circumstances.

It is impossible to imagine these large camps of people. They are like towns, and in the rainy season the people suffered terribly. Now it is getting warmer, and the ground is drying up, it is better. The barracks Miss Davies had built is used for all purposes—school, church, office, etc., and part for a workroom for the girls. I went to Service on Sunday; the tent was full, and many of the people could not get in, there was no room. They were sitting on the floor, tightly packed together. The bell they ring to call the people to the service is a long iron bar about two yards long, and they beat it with hammers. It is pathetic to see the people flocking to worship God under such conditions, and yet it shows His sustaining grace in the midst of privations and difficulties. The tents and shanties the people live in are very small, and in some there are two families, During the rain scarcely any were watertight, and Miss Davies bought boards for the people to put their beds on to keep them from the damp ground; it is a marvel how they have survived. Many of them now are suffering from fever and rheumatism."

There are quite a number of nice bright girls working. How I wish the people who buy the handkerchiefs and cloths could see them at work, about 40 crowded in a small low tent. Dr. Martin has promised the loan of a large one for the school, and then the girls will be able to use the one now used for the day school. We shall be so glad to get this for them; it is already getting hot and they are crowded in the one they have at present.

The women are clean and thrifty; they sweep the ground all around their tents, and do everything they can to make things comfortable. As Miss Webb and I went round investigating some orphans one morning, we saw a child had picked some wild flowers and put them in a tin outside the tent!

Mr. McAfee, of the Near East Relief, has written to the French General making another appeal for the people, and we are hoping they will arrange for them to go to a healthier spot.

We are trying to get 54 of the most needy children, and have them ready if there is the opportunity to take them. There are so many children, it is hard to select. It must be hard to them to feel they have no home. God grant that the future may hold something brighter for them. Miss Davies is very bright, but I can see she is tired, yet we thank God for the way He has used and is still using her to be a comfort to His afflicted people.

Dr. and Mrs. Martin have very kindly given me a room in their house; it is a privilege to be with them. IEAN COOMBER.

The following letter of thanks has been translated from Armenian.—Ed.

Alexandretta.

Dear Friends in England,-We are very much obliged to you for your sympathy and help. We know it is not because of anything in us that you have shown this sympathy, but because the love of Christ is in your hearts. You have tried to save us (the remnant of the nation) from starvation and death. You began this help for us in Aleppo, and when we returned again to Hassan Beyly for three months we enjoyed peace by your protection and relief. But troubles began, and not being secure we could only save

our lives by fleeing to Deortyoll. And here, again, we received your help.

We do not know how to thank you for such continual kindness. We can only receive it through our Saviour, Who we believe has put such love in your hearts. Miss Davies, who has come from you, has given food and clothing to the needy, widows and orphans, and has saved these from starvation and death. And so the last verses in Matt. 25 we have enjoyed at your hands. And now, again, we have come from Deortyoll to Alexandretta, and are still refugees. We beg you to find a way to save us from this condition that we may enjoy some peace during the last years of our life in this world.

On behalf of the Armenian refugees here, (Signed) GULU,

Bible Woman from Hassan Beylv.

A GLIMPSE OF CONDITIONS IN ALEXANDRETTA.

"Foxes have holes and the birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man hath not where to lay His Head." Such was our Master's condition when on earth, and such, literally, is the condition of these poor Armenians to-day, homeless and futureless. Here in Alexandretta there are about 20,000 of these poor creatures, yet still hoping against hope that something will happen so that they may be able to return to their homes and live there in safety. Can you wonder at their hopelessness when you think of the horrors they went through during the war, and again last year? Think of those who only lately have escaped from Hadjin, leaving behind their loved ones, who were killed and tortured. Think of those who escaped from Marash and arrived in Adana. frost-bitten, sick, and hungry, most of whom had loved ones who had perished on the road. Again, think of other places such as Hassan Beyly, Sis, and other towns and villages too numerous to mention, whose inhabitants, had to flee for their lives only a few months ago, on account of the attack on their homes by the Nationalists. Can you wonder that these sorely tried people, when they knew that the Turks were again to occupy Cilicia, rose up in one mass and fled from those regions? And now here they are, 20,000 of them, as I have said before-homeless. To visit the places where they have encamped is sad indeed beyond all conception. They have, during this rainy season, been living in islands, for they have been surrounded with water and knee-deep mud; many have been without any kind of shelter. Think what it is for tiny babies and old people—it will indeed be a survival of the fittest.

The attempts they are now making to provide themselves shelter are most pathetic: the blankets which were given them for covering are used to make tents; others are made out of old sacks, old tins flattened out, or branches; and tiny huts are made of grass. Indeed, every conceivable kind of covering is to be found here. and hardly any, I fear, very waterproof. Very soon sickness broke out among them, dysentery and malaria for the most part, on account of the swampy condition of the ground on which they were lying. You will understand that serious problems faced those of us who tried to help make their condition a little better; to advise them to leave here was impossible, as all ports

are closed, and even if they were opened few have the money to leave. The first thing we did was to buy timber, and give out to each family five planks to put under their mattresses, so as to prevent them lying in the mud. We also gave out a great deal of timber to make small huts, and many families are living in these. The next thing was to get quinine and other medicines, and give to the sick; and then clothes had to be given out, for old people and little children were shivering with the cold. Apart from this, weekly doles of money were given to about a hundred families. All this kept one busy, but the condition is so terrible that one has not been able to touch the fringe of the great need; but for what we have been able to do we do so thank the kind "friends" of Armenia, who have made this help possible, for it has shown the people that they are not entirely forsaken by God and man, as they have been so sorely tempted to believe.

One of the most serious problems now is that Alexandretta has no facilities for giving these thousands of men work: there are no factories or any other means for employment, and unless work can be provided on a very large scale in the near future I can see nothing but starvation before them. We are, through the kindness of the "Friends of Armenia," giving work to one hundred women and girls, chosen from the most needy, many of whom are mothers of little children. It will be almost impossible for them to keep their work clean under the conditions in which they live; but we are here for the present to meet the greatest need, and we must do the best we can. We are also giving out flour to two hundred different families, and the choosing of the poorest for both the work and the flour is indeed a great problem. For the children who have once more been taken from their schools, we have not been able to do much, but now Dr. Martin, of Aintab, is here, and is starting three schools in the camps, in tents given by the Y.M.C.A. and N.E.R. This will meet a great need; in these tents people will be allowed to sleep at nights, removing their mattresses each morning ready for

The situation is terrible now, but what will it be when the hot weather begins, for with malaria and insanitary conditions it will be unbearable here for them? We must just go a step at a time, leaving the future in the hands of the Lord, who knows these people's sorrows, and will send them deliverance in His own good time.

To-day we have had a terrible wind-storm, which has blown over most of the huts, so I am filling our barracks, so that at least some of these poor things will be saved from being out this terrible night.

In the name of these Armenians may I thank all the friends at home who are doing what they can to make life a little more bearable for them?

ANNIE DAVIES.

A HAPPY DAY IN TIME OF TRIAL.

Alexandretta, March 4th, 1922.

" I was determined that our workers should have at least one day's happiness before they are sent on anywhere else; so directly I heard there was a rumour of their being sent I arranged a picnic for them, and what a day of delight it has been for us all! We were a party of 120, and it was no small work to get a dinner

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ready for such a number, but many hands make light out these things it would have been impossible for these work, and at 11.30 we started for a green spot on a mountain side near by, with balls and skipping ropes. I sat down and watched them, and thought of what all these women and girls had passed through, and my heart misgave me as I wondered what the future still held for them. Anyhow, for one day we were going to forget the past and the future, and I forbade any mention of sorrow or trouble. Dinner hour came, and we sat down in companies, as I wanted to find out how many different places our workers came from, and it was really interesting to find that many of these young girls are the sole survivors, not only of their families, but of their villages, and now are absolutely alone. You may guess that I took special pains to give them an extra good time. Our dinner would not have appealed to you, I fear, but to them it was a glorious feast, the like of which they had not seen for many a long day. It consisted of chopped meat, onions, fat and tomato juice, all put on a piece of rolled dough and baked. Each one had three, and I had two. These quickly disappeared, and then I took them all for a walk, and we gathered syclamon, and they sang like larks with sheer delight; and I sang with them, for it did me good to see them so happy. After a while we again sat and ate dates, nuts and sweets. Towards evening we made our

poor refugees to have lived through this terrible winter."

ANNIE DAVIES.

SHEMLAN NEWS.

(Extracts from Miss Frearson's Letters.)

"Many thanks for your letter and order. I sent you some lace that had been done by the refugees under Miss Coomber's care, but bought the lace so as to give them money to pay, so that the pay for it can be given to me, please. I put the price on I paid for it; how do you think it is? I am very glad to get the orders for tea cloths, and have bought linen for them, but am sorry to say that I cannot get any wide enough to make 45in. square now, so bought the widest I could. We had already two ready to send, so when we have more will send them. I am hoping the monthly orphan support may reach before we leave, and after this will you kindly send it to Miss Capper, same address?

"Yes, I, too, am very sorry that we have to pay so much on customs, for clothes; old shoes are most acceptable.



ORPHANS AT SHEMLAN.

way back, laden with flowers, very-tired, and thanking God for His goodness to us. Our dinner and dates, nuts and sweets cost £5, and surely no five pounds has ever given more pleasure, for it gave 120 a good meal and a day so full of pleasure that it will always stand out in their lives; and please let me thank you all, for without your kind gifts this day would not have been possible.

Now we are wondering what the future will bring, and if it is really true that they will soon be sent from here. Of course, they have got to scatter before the summer; the only thing is, if they could be sent to somewhere safe, where they could earn their living; for is it not dreadful to always be living in uncertainty and to be homeless and friendless?

Everything that you have sent has been invaluable, and has been a great blessing to these poor people in their time of sore need, and I would like all friends who have sent gifts of clothes or money to know that with-

"I wish you could have seen my children as they started off to church on Sunday morning! They did look nice. Most of them had on the print dresses that we had to buy when we first came to Beirut; they have taken great care of them, and beyond washing, letting down, nothing more was needed, but the new children had new ones, and hats made out of grey calico, which looked remarkably well.

"I am having a little time to sort out back letters, and have come across yours. Am not sure whether it was answered, but want to make sure. I should like to send a note to each one who contributed to the nice sum of £54 17s. 3d., but if I do, fear something else would have to be left undone, but I do want to send them a warm hearty 'Thank you.' I wonder if any of them are parents, and know what it is to see shoes worn out or frocks and pinafores in holes before we think they ought to be, and wonder HOW they are going to get new ones. If they do, they will under-

stand my feelings when these loving extra bits turn up. Then they enabled me to show the children that God sometimes answers our prayers by our own hands, as it were, for we have already shared the kind gift with some very needy refugees. Last evening we heard from Mr. Manoogian, who has recently come from England, a little more about the condition of the poor refugees in Beirut, and it was appalling! While we were eating supper a storm came on, and he suddenly, as soon as he heard it, clasped his hands, as though in prayer, and exclaimed, 'Oh, the poor refugees.'

Miss Salmond writes as follows:-

March 15th, 1922.

"I did not tell you that Miss Ainslie, the American Missionary, who has been in Marash several years, had permission from the Government to come to Beirut for dentistry work, and she spent one day here. You may be sure that I was glad to get all the news about the children, and of the many changes that are going on there; the great number of people who are leaving, and of the effort that she with others will make to get the orphans out. Already a good many of the boys have come, I hear, to Aleppo, and two or more of the girls, but what they are to do there, is a very great question indeed. Money, I presume, sent to her through the American Press or Near East Relief, will reach her.

"I cannot express my feelings of gratitude to the Committee for so kindly considering my case and future need. My great trouble is that I am unable to get about, so need assistance for some things, and for that reason I have decided, with the advice of friends here, to bring Santooht Davityan, the girl I originally thought of. She is here now, and has been helping Miss Coomber to organise the Industries."

Shemlan.

April 4th, 1922.

"Your most kind full letter is received, and it touched me very much indeed, and I cannot sufficiently express my gratitude to the Committee for having me so much under consideration and for their kind decision. Oh, as I look at the past I think, what more could I have done? And now to think that all one planned to build up has been destroyed; but I cannot but believe many have benefited by the efforts of you there in England, and I here have earnestly tried to carry out your wishes. I am glad that at least two of your Committee have seen something of what was done at Marash. . . .

"You may have heard that twenty-five of my girls have been allowed to come and are now under Miss Frearson's roof, and three of them have gone as helps in families. I hope they will do well. Many of the boys too have come, and are coming, and they think that as I am here I can assist them, but I tell them others will be enabled, I trust, to do so. . . . Santooht, you know, was to be my assistant; she handed in a report which satisfied both Miss Frearson and I. She is on the look out for someone to take over the work when she leaves. . . ."

WHAT I SAW IN THE CAVES AT BEIRUT. By MISS JEAN COOMBER.

Whilst I was in Beirut I visited the refugee camp with Sisag Effendi and two Armenian teachers, one from Marash and one from Adana. We were very grieved to see the conditions under which the people were living. The camp is situated in an open space down by the sea, but very near to the place where all the refuse of the city is thrown; the odour was dreadful, and must have added to the discomforts of the poor people. Many of the tents were full of holes, and during the heavy rains it was impossible for the people to keep even their beds dry. In one tent we found five families! Nice, refined people; one was a pastor's wife, and another a Bible-woman. Their beds and possessions were piled up in heaps; they were simply huddled together, and you can imagine what it meant to them to be in such a condition, but they all tried to make the best of it.

Sisag Effendi spoke to them of God's love, and they were comforted and helped; they told us they met every day to read God's Word and pray together.

Leaving the tents, we walked down by the sea to a large building with just a roof over it, open at the sides and front to the sea; this building had formerly been used for pigs! But the people had cleansed it, and were glad to have a shelter just to keep the rain off. There were members of families each living in a space about 12 ft. square. During the rough weather the sea washed in and swamped them; but added to this some people who had formerly kept animals there wanted to turn the Armenians out, and finding they could not do this, bored holes in the roof, so that the rain poured in upon them! Poor people, they were in a pitiable condition, and many were suffering from fever and rheumatism. But even this place was not so dreadful as a dark cave in which 60 people were living; it was so dark we could not find our way in without a torch. There was not a breath of air or ray of light! Yet all these people were living in this darkness. One woman lit a small lamp, and then we could see the people around us. Sisag Effendi had with him a promise box; he explained to the people that they were verses printed from God's Word, and asked a man present if he would like to choose one. The words were these: "It is I. be not afraid." They have never been so beautiful to me as they were in that dark place, and it was a joy to see the eager faces as the people listened to God's servant when he told them God was with them there, just as truly as He was with Peter on the troubled

We also visited other caves, not so dark as the former, but damp and cheerless; people just crowded together in them. In one corner was a young woman with her first baby, four days old! The wall beside her was broken, and looked as if it would fall any moment. Her friends had tied up a piece of sacking to keep out the wind and rain, and also spread sacks upon the ground to keep her bed as dry as possible. If only friends at home in their comfortable houses could see the condition of these poor people, I am sure many would send help to them.

Sisag Effendi urged the people to sit out in the sun as much as possible, for not only were the caves damp, but there were pools of stagnant water in many of

them, which must breed malaria as the weather gets warmer, unless some healthier spot is found where they

Sisag Effendi had been visiting in the morning, and found two women weeping, and when he told them God still loved and cared for them, one of them said: " I was once in prosperous circumstances, but I forgot God; do you think He will receive me now?" and he told her He would, and left her quite happy. We visited the cave with him, and found the woman quite bright. I was so glad of the opportunity to visit with him; he was so nice and kind to the people, and they were encouraged and helped.

We do not know what the future holds for them, but we pray that God will open up some way of deliverance.

April 11th, 1922.

A PRAYER FOR ARMENIA.

Thou wast slain and hast redeemed us by Thy blood and made us unto our God kings and priests. (Rev. v. 9-10.) Having therefore boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus -Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith. (Heb. x. 19-22.)

ALMIGHTY GOD, who by Thy grace hast not only called us out of darkness into light but hast called us into the Blessed Service of Intercession, we come to Thee with one accord on behalf of the people of Armenia. We pray that Thou Thyself wilt undertake their cause, and with great might succour them. We remember the many thousands who, rather than deny Thy Name, have suffered torture and death, and we give Thee thanks for all who have by Thy grace endured and are now in Thy presence, and we ask Thee for those who remain in the fiery trial of their prolonged agony, to stand by them and strengthen them and grant them a clearer vision of Thee and deliverance from their sufferings. Send them what they need for their material wants-protect the fatherless and widows-remember all the countless thousands of orphans without home or shelter.

Bless the children in our orphanages whom Thou hast committed to our care and those who are giving their lives to help and save them. We thank Thee for all Thy servants labouring for Thee, who have been true to Thy name. Strengthen and bless all who, by whatever name they are called, belong to Thy Holy Catholic Church.

Give wisdom to all who are seeking to help the Armenians in any way, whether spiritually, politically or materially, give courage and a spirit of responsibility to our Statesmen, deliver our country and all who are called Christian from blood-guiltiness, through apathy or fear. Bless all who are serving Thee in clerical or other work. May all our service be lifted on to a higher plane of selflessness and sacrifice through the power of the Holy Spirit of Him who came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and give His life a ransom for many. In whose Name and through whose merits we offer our prayer and praises, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

As for us, let us glorify Him, who was from before the eternity, worshipping the Holy Trinity, One God, Father, Son and Holy Chost, now and ever.

-From the Armenian Liturgy.

Copies of the above Prayer can be obtained in leaflet form on application to the Secretary. Price-6 copies for 7d. or 12 for 1s.

A TRIBUTE TO "F. OF A." REPRESENTATIVE.

Rev. W. Lyttle, Irish Presbyterian Mission, sends the following reference to Miss Davies' work:-

Alexandretta, Syria. February 18th, 1922.

"I received your letter of the 25th Jan. yesterday. It was very good of you to write to me thanking me for anything I have been able to do for Miss Davies. I read your letter to the two Lady Missionaries who are with me here, and they join me in thanking you and your Committee for your nice letter. It was a great joy to us that we were able to take Miss Davies in, and I can speak for my fellow workers when I say that it has been a great privilege to have had her with us. She is eminently fitted for her work, and has been untiring in her efforts to meet the needs of these unfortunate people. You are fortunate in having such a capable Christian lady as your representative here."

Mr. H. B. McAfee, Managing Director of the Near East Relief, has also written.

March 14th, 1922.

"I visited Alexandretta recently, and noted your splendid work with Miss Annie Davies, in giving employment to practically 200 women and girls. Her work is a life saver for them, and I earnestly hope that your organisation will be able to continue and increase the help that you are giving. The Near East has found it necessary to withdraw very largely from adult relief work, finding it impossible to secure sufficient funds to adequately care for the orphans, and these are our first responsibility.

'We are trying to care for all the full orphans who are destitute, and doing what we can for half orphans and other needy children. The work Miss Davies is doing in your name is a wonderful piece of work, and I am sure if you could see it as I have, you would feel justified in making any necessary sacrifice to furnish the means for its continuance and enlargement.

"She is waiting eagerly for your decision, as upon it hangs the destiny of many of those girls, who without the help that she is giving them would be almost certainly forced into immoral lives."

CONSTANTINOPLE NEWS.

Miss Burgess sends the following; also statement of how relief money has been used.—(ED.)

"My thoughts are travelling to you in your work for our people with thanksgiving to God. We have many ups and downs, and many fears that we shall not be able to trim ourselves to the storms of time, but more than another year has passed and our industrial barque still sails across the waves unharmed and blessed; also relief work has been a great boon. I have now ready for the market lots of handkerchiefs. Could you take these, and buy us more linen for the continuation of the work? All the handkerchiefs are the simplest kinds, the work of refugees, and are made in the refugee camps . . . I do want our handkerchief work to become a growing success, seeing many of these poor women cannot do other work.

"I am elated to hear of revivals in our Homeland. May the awakening be deeply spiritual and abiding, is my earnest prayer. A spirit of expectancy is felt even out here. We shall get back to peace and goodwill when we turn Christward. The Prince of Peace is Almighty. I am sure He waits for us to ask that we may receive the blessings and joys of a real and true peace. We know and are sure that the cloud must lift and the better spirit must prevail, and the leaven when good must leaven the whole lump, if only there is enough of it."

Statement of Relief Accounts from April 25th, 1921, to February 1st, 1922. For Friends of Armenia, London.

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1921	STATE DESIGNATION OF THE PROPERTY.				£	S.	d.
April 25th.	Balance in hand		with brane	19	44	9	8
Aug. 5th.	Friends of Armenia				300	0	0
Nov. 4th.					200	0	0
	Relief goods sold				100	8	7
	Balance due				181	2	9
	or also wanted furnit				-	70	-
					£826	1	0

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Expenditure.				
1921		£	S.	d.
Refugees employed in handkerchief work, lin	en and			
cotton supplied from Mission House in	ndustry			
stores and not charged from Relief	Funds;			
labour only		475	12	8
Refugees employed in tov work, etc		183	0	3
Tools to workers to set refugees up on their	own	10	13	1
Travelling expenses for scattered refugees		15	8	0
Clothing for aged sick people and children		8	2	10
Aids to orphan children		16	2	1
Doctors, medicine, and food		10	10	7
Regular relief to five aged families		69	15	6
· Expenses connected in placing refugees in wo	ork and			
assistance till then		18	10	3
Custom House dues for goods sent out in	aid of			
relief work		5	3	9
Help to three struggling widows with their lit	tle ones	13	2	0
				-

£826 1 0 A. M. BURGESS, Constantinople.

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LETTER FROM BRUMANA.

March 2nd, 1922.

I thought you would like to know that among the ventures made possible by the Friends of Armenia grant made to me are the under-named provision for the well-being of over 80 girls and young women.

(a) The Y.W.C.A. in Beirut had lent two rooms where the refugee girls of school age could gather daily, and they came to overcrowding extent (some 63 girls). Refugee teachers came for some time and taught voluntarily, but that could not go on; they were using all their small reserves, and had dependants. I have guaranteed £40 towards teacher-cost, February to May inclusive. It "lights two candles with one match." These well-educated, refined girls (nearly heart-broken at what has happened to them and theirs), have occupation at a very moderate wage, and the children are kept off the streets, with all that that means to present and future. Necessarily, teachers trained to teach Armenian children have no special qualification when there are no Armenian schools to be employed in.

(b) Another 17 young women and girls are being taught needle, lace and handkerchief work by a skilled woman of their number. The American Mission have kindly lent a room, and Miss Jean Coomber is giving

temporary help in superintending. While the girls are learning I am paying them, for a limited time, a subsistence wage, and I personally inspect their attain-

I have written to Mr. Brooks about other (and more ambitious) plans. I could easily spend at once all you have sent, but, as your almoner, I feel I must spend " for the future."

MARSHALL FOX.

In response to urgent request for relief grant, Committee sent £300 to Mr. Marshall Fox.

The above describes how part of grant has been distributed.—(Ed.)

FRIENDS OF ARMENIA SALE AT CHELTENHAM.

The Society of the Friends of Armenia has some earnest helpers in Cheltenham, and a sale of work organised by Miss Nuttall with the assistance of members of the C.M.S. Women's Union, was held on Friday afternoon, March 17th, in St. James's Memorial Hall, Suffolk Square. The announcement of the sale was coupled with an appeal for help to "a perishing and martyred people," and the attendance indicated that a useful sum might be forthcoming. In conjunction with the Armenian Refugees (Lord Mayor's) Fund the Friends of Armenia are making a joint appeal to the British public for the support of orphan and refugee work, and for the awakening of their interest in the cause of this long suffering race. We hope in this way not only to receive financial assistance, but that the public will assume their responsibilities in bringing pressure to bear upon those in authority when the time comes for a settlement of this most perplexing question, and that justice shall be done to this people whose faith and courage in martyrdom is one of the bright pages in Christian history. Reverting to the sale, which was formerly opened by Mrs. Holt-Evans, it should be stated that it consisted entirely of work in the form of kharpoots, table centres, d'oyleys, hand made lace, etc., done by refugee and starving women (widows mostly) of Armenia. It was greatly admired for its taste and beauty. The interest of the occasion was enhanced by an address by the Rev. R. V. Butler (Curate of St. James's), who served as Chaplain of the Forces in Egypt, Syria, and Cilicia. He spoke of the scenes of desolation which met the gaze of the British troops when they reached Armenia. The people had been driven down into Egypt, Cyprus, and Palestine, but during the months when he was there they were being brought back to their homes by the American Committee for the Relief in the Near East. The destitution was appalling, and, alike in humanitarian and on religious grounds, they had the strongest possible claim on the practical sympathy of Christian people in England. From the "Cheltenham Echo."

If friends could arrange for Sales of Armenian work, similar to above, their efforts would be much appreciated.-Ed.

As we go to press we are glad to report safe arrival of Miss Salmond and Miss Frearson. Further news of them we hope to print in next Magazine. -Ed.

JOINT APPEAL.

"Deliver them that are carried away unto death, and those that are ready to be slain, see that thou hold back. If thou sayest, Behold, we knew not this; Doth not he that weigheth the hearts consider it? And he that keepeth thy soul doth not he know it? And shall not he render to every man according to his work "? (Proverbs xxiv. 11, 12, R.V.)

Dear Friends,

The work of your representative in this Appeal has been greatly facilitated and assisted in the enlisting of new supporters and sympathisers, as well as being a means of strengthening and stimulating your increased interest by the supporters of the Armenian Refugees (Lord Mayor's) Fund and the Friends of Armenia, to whom I would render thanks for this hearty cooperation.

The present situation in Armenia is one that will demand from us a greater, stronger, and more combined action than has hitherto been demanded of us. The predicament of the refugees in Cilicia, where approximately 100,000 of these people had to flee from the hand of the oppressor, due to the result of the French withdrawal, is now past history, but which means present and intense suffering to this hapless people. Hunger, malaria, dysentery, and disease, coupled with living out in the open, subject to the torrential rains of the Mediterranean seaboard, the -cold frosty nights with their piercing winds from Mount Lebanon, have already begun to take their toll in human lives, and what the Turks have failed to accomplish in the destruction of this race is in danger of taking place, and lack of prompt assistance is likely to accomplish this end.

The above is just one section of these Armenian people. Ponder and think that there are over 200,000 orphan children in the Caucasus and Turkey to-day. Listen: "Over 1,000 children have been picked off the streets in one town in the past month. Hundreds of children, diseased, starving, and uncared for, and to our horror (one day) we came upon one group who were tearing to pieces a dead horse and with ghoulish cries devouring it like vultures. Frequently we found tiny children dead on the street, dead from sheer starvation." This picture makes us shudder and our hearts bleed for those children who are suffering through no ill of their own; neither dare we say it is the result of their father's sins, but rather the ruthlessness and domineering Pan-Turanian desire to control or to destroy (just as fancy or caprice suits) the non-Moslem minorities of Turkey; and about all the great nations did for the Armenians was to teach them to be defiant and leave them to bear the consequence.

My efforts in Scotland have resulted in co-operation with our supporters, in the forming of two very strong Joint Appeal Committees, one in Edinburgh last December and one in Glasgow in April of this year, about which I hope to give you more information in our next issue. London, Dover, Leeds, Stafford, and parts of Ireland have all assisted us in getting up meetings which I could address and which augmented our funds quite perceptibly.

The National Council of Women in London and Glasgow have lately convened meetings which I addressed, and important resolutions were passed and forwarded to the Prime Minister, the Chief Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, and Hon. Members of the House of Commons who have ever defended the Armenian cause on the floor of the House. This is a step forward and in the right direction. Personally I think there is no cause which should appeal to women more than this: widows and orphans facing death by starvation, young women and girls enslaved in Turkish harems, with the sinister motive of forcibly converting them to Islam, and by so controlling the mothers of Armenia they hope to eliminate the Armenian question for ever. Surely the women of Great Britain and Ireland and embracing our Dominions will rally round this cause, and demand the freedom of these young women and girls, and the right to live of this most torn of peoples. This should become a world movement for women, and one that would adorn the ideals for which the present-day women stand.

Yours faithfully, GEO. F. GRACEY.

Will subscribers sending gifts to Joint Appeal kindly earmark them, if intended for "Friends of Armenia"? Otherwise the gifts will be divided between both Societies.—Ed.

FAVRE BOYS' HOME.

"Bring them up tenderly with true Christian training and advice."—Weymouth Translation.

With all the anxious problems now demanding the attention of the world the heart-rending condition of the Armenian people is apt to be overlooked. Many are weary of the protests made on behalf of sufferers whose case has for so many years been urged upon the public. It is true that noble efforts have been made to feed and clothe the destitute, but safety and the possibility of earning their own living has never been secured to the Armenian. Their cry is not for bread, but "Work, Work!"

At this moment there are thousands living in huts built by their own hands from oil-cases and such lumber. The marvel is that these tiny dwellings are so clean and tidy, some even white-washed, with shelves on which the few remaining possessions are arranged, bedding of a poor description is rolled up at one side. Those who have lived for months or years cooped up in this fashion have even decorated their walls with pictures and advertisements. During these deportations and troubles families have been scattered and the number of orphans enormously increased. It is true that a vast number of orphans have already found shelter in Orphanages opened by British, American and Armenian Societies. The latter have made and are still making noble efforts to care for their own orphans, but with trade at a standstill and many bankruptcies this becomes daily more difficult, and there is much anxious thought as to means for providing food and clothing for those already in the shelters. This fact leads to careful investigation, and they are trying to enforce the rule that no child whose mother is living is eligible. That sounds fair; but take into consideration that the widowed mother may have several small children on her hands, and if she cannot go out to work they must all sit and starve together. If there be but one or two

she begs earnestly that they may be taken into a Home and educated whilst she is free to go into service paying for their keep as much as possible from her wages. It is chiefly for this class that we propose making the new start, reviving the work of the Favre Boys' Home, which prepared so many useful members of society in the past.

Our old pupils stand by us with words and deeds of encouragement. Although many of them devote their leisure hours to Red Cross Relief work, they also take an active interest in the Old Home, to which, they say, they owe so much. We feel, therefore, that the former work was not in vain and look forward in trust that God will bless this new departure yet more abundantly. Most of our equipment having been looted during the War and since, we shall need some Lstg. 60—Lstg. 100 for house and school furnishing. Desks, tables, etc., must be provided at the lowest possible cost. A most generous donation has already been promised by one loyal friend toward school equipments.

After that it will remain to find support for the boys beyond that which their friends may be able to give. Doubtless, as in former years, Armenian business men will pay for protegés. Friends here and in other countries may prefer to partially adopt a boy, taking personal interest in his well-being. It has been reckoned that Lstg. 5 provides one good meal a day for one year. A further gift would give clothing, or books.

Any help sent will call for sincere gratitude from workers and boys: the sooner it comes the higher will be its value.

(Signed) S. A. N.EWNHAM.
Gifts for this work sent to the Secretary, Friends of Armenia, will be forwarded to Miss S. Newnham, Constantinople.

TO ARMENIA: THE FAITHFUL MARTYRED NATION.

Armenia, thy noble sons,
Through centuries of wrong and woe,
Have bravely sacrificed themselves
Rather than join their Lord's sworn foe.
To thee, true homage we will ever pay,
In His dear Name Whom thou hast served alway!

No bribe or force could e'er deflect
Such firm fidelity as thine,
And if in blood thy sun go down,
Thy fame shall still immortal shine.
Since on Time's scroll no fairer acts appear
Than theirs who died for Christ without a fear!

The cherished sites which were thine own, Where peace and plenty erstwhile smiled, What are they now through lust and crime? As desolate as any wild!

Thy children, too, in thousands starve and die, And can we still be deaf to their sad cry?

The age-long cross of martyrdom
Beyond all others thou hast borne,
And thy lot still no words can tell,
Of ev'ry joy and comfort shorn!
We pray the God of pity to look down,
And with His high reward thy suff'rings crown!

Not "fulness of bread," but dire want, Is Kars and Van and Igdir's lot; And Karaklissa shares a fate Which ne'er by thee can be forgot; But yet, O land, at frightful cost to thee, Thou wast true friend in our necessity!

Then let the debt be paid in full
Which Europe owes, her promise kept,
Thy freedom sealed, thy children saved,
Justice awake, who long has slept,
Till all thy Christian fanes once more are free,
And Christ is worshipped in sincerity!

—Rev. John R. Palmer, Litt.D.

Gratwich Rectory, Uttoxeter, Staffs.

EXTRACTS FROM REPORT BY REV. HAROLD BUXTON.

Transcaucasia.

Food Problem To-day (Rural Conditions).

In spite of the remarkable growth of three or four large cities (e.g., Tiflis, Baku and Batum), the rural districts of Transcaucasia have remained entirely primitive, both in regard to their social conditions and to the agricultural methods in vogue. One has only to travel a mile or two from the railway in any part of the Caucasus to find a village life as simple and primitive as that which prevails in Turkey or Persia.

The peasantry, whether mountaineers or plainmen, and no matter of what nationality, are far from having the ferocious character which romantic writers have attributed to them. By nature they are, generally speaking, quiet, diligent and law-abiding folk, content with a minimum of comfort, requiring very little of imported goods, and tolerant of any form of Government which leaves them alone and does not impose excessive burdens upon them. But these last years of turmoil in Transcaucasia have thrown the rural population into worse and worse confusion, resulting in an almost total neglect or abandonment of certain districts, and at the same time in a most serious reduction in the food production of the country. The destruction of human life, and the shifting of whole groups of villagers from one district to another, have been accompanied by the loss of agricultural equipment and of draught animals, and by the falling into utter disrepair of roads, bridges, irrigation canals, etc.

At the same time, certain natural causes have added to the common distress, e.g., a plague of locusts near the Persian frontier, and a serious drought in 1921.

The result has been that large areas of arable land have been left uncultivated, and that the comparatively small reserves of the country were completely used up last year.

Town Conditions.

The upheaval of the last years has affected the towns even more than the country areas. With the exception of the oil works at Baku, industry was never highly organised in Transcaucasia, but such factories as did exist have been mostly closed down and have not yet

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been re-opened. At the same time, whereas the rural population has been in many parts reduced, there has been a huge influx of refugees into the cities, which are now appallingly and dangerously overcrowded.

Approximate figures :-

Tiflis had formerly, 1914, population 300,000; now, 500,000.

Batum had formerly, 1914, about 35,000 inhabitants; now, 100,000.

Erivan had formerly, 25,000; now, about 120,000. *Baku* had formerly, 200,000; now, 350,000.

As a consequence, housing conditions are everywhere indescribably bad—no repairs are done, for no one can afford to pay for them, and sanitation is going from bad to worse. The great majority of the town population are without any regular employment, and in the last few months, since the Authorities have been obliged to cease all issue of rations, are without any ordinary or legitimate means of earning a livelihood.

Public Health.

The hospitals everywhere are in a pitiable condition. One does not know whether the doctors and nurses or whether the patients most deserve sympathy. In the largest hospital at Tiflis, we found that no heating or chauffage could be provided; that there was a complete absence of necessary drugs, linen and surgical instruments. One cannot readily forget the despairing appeals of those in charge (and the same appeals were made to us in scores of institutions), for such necessities as one would take for granted in Europe—fuel for heating the rooms or wards, soap, blankets, utensils, drinking cups, and so on.

Armenia.

The condition of Armenia is worse than that of the others for these reasons:—

- (a) A large section of its territory remains to-day under enemy occupation. (The Kemalist Turks hold Kars, Sarikamish, Ardahan, etc.)
- (b) It is isolated from the sea and can only reach Batum by traversing nearly 400 versts of Georgian territory.
- (c) It is burdened with an enormous number of refugees from Turkey (estimates vary from 200,000 to 300,000), who are unable to return to their homes owing to the fact that there is still no Turkish settlement or any provision for the peace of Turkish Armenia.

The prospect is, therefore, one of famine on a large scale. Everywhere, in town and country alike, one sees crowds of human scarecrows—faced with a lingering death during the coming months from cold, hunger and disease. Hundreds of thousands are destitute and large numbers are actually starving, as we ourselves have witnessed.

The following are the figures given us by the Government at Erivan:—

According to estimates of American "Near East Relief" 150,000 are "starving," or are condemned to perish without direct and immediate relief.

Report on Food Supplies in Armenia.

in Lanuage 1000 to Mr. Punton

Native population Refugees	1,100,000
Total	1,400,000
Food supply necessary for 1 year, i.e., 1,400,000 persons at $7\frac{1}{2}$ poods per head	10,500,000 poods
Present year's harvest Shortage	7,000,000 ,, 3,500,000 ,,
Previous year's harvests—1910 1912 Average	10,500,000 ,, 12,616,000 ,, 13,131,307 ,, 13,000,000 ,,
Average	10,000,000 ,,

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THE MISSIONARY'S SPIRITUAL LIFE. Katherine Bredemus.

Among the qualifications that are essential for a successful missionary there is none that is more indispensable than a sound well-developed Christian character and experience. A good sound body is very important, as the change of climate and diet, and the mental and physical conditions incident to life in the foreign fields far away from home and accustomed environments tend to invite disease.

The intellectual life of the missionary is also essential. One with an alert and well trained mind is much more useful on the field than those who have practically had no training. The man or woman at home who thinks that almost anybody will do for work in the foreign fields only expose their own ignorance of the needs of the regions beyond. The Occidental errs if he supposes that the Oriental is inferior to him intellectually.

But real missionary work in all its forms is distinctly spiritual in spirit and aim. David Livingstone, when asked what he considered the chief requirement of a successful missionary, gave as the first, "A goodly portion of God's loving yearnings over the souls of the heathen." Someone has said that a missionary is supposed to be "God's man, in God's place, doing God's work, in God's way, and for God's glory." If those who are sent abroad by the church as their representatives are to be in a true sense a missionary at all, they must be men and women of deep and strong spiritual life and piety. I speak from experience when I say that this life must be guarded on the foreign fields by a close walk with God, as there are subtle dangers here that one does not find at home.

At home one finds so many things that are a stimulus to spiritual life, such as camp meetings, conventions, conferences, association with many of God's children, etc., but in the foreign fields these opportunities are fewer and in some places wholly non-existent. Try to imagine yourself living apart from many of the holy

influences of Christian society, a spiritual exile from the guidance, the instruction, the reproofs, the fellowship and the communion of the church at home. Add to this the intellectual exile from many things that stimulate and feed the mind, a strange language, superstition, sorrowful, heart breaking scenes and stories, a constant giving out, all kinds of work, a depressing sameness of life, and you will readily assent that spirituality is necessary to the missionary's own happiness, as well as the success of his work.

One cannot be really happy or largely useful unless inspired by considerations that lift one above many of the things that a missionary comes in daily contact with, and which render him like Paul, comparatively indifferent to merely physical and temporal conditions. A missionary whose greatest ambition is to live in the centre of God's will, to keep His smile and approbation, will need to take time to be holy. They need to avail themselves of everything that will stimulate the growth of the inner man. The study of God's word is indispensable, not only to meet the needs of those that we come in daily contact with, but also to feed our own souls. It will bring strength, courage, uplifts, and guidance. Prayer is another indispensable help. The missionary who prays will find that he can get more things done, and can do them better, than those who fail to spend time waiting on God. In the pressure of duties that frequently thrust themselves upon us, private devotions must not be neglected. All the machinery runs much more smoothly when well oiled with prayer.

The reading of good books, magazines and the church paper must not be neglected. If co-workers at home only realised how much one appreciates reading matter in the foreign fields, more books and magazines would be sent to the missionary. How frequently a good article has brought comfort and cheer to some weary worker across the seas. No one can study God's word without seeing that the salvation of souls was the supreme thought of His heart. The primary motives of the missionary enterprise must be the same, so that God may help us to always keep first things first.

MONS. LEOPOLD FAVRE.

After a period of illness lasting for more than a year, M. Leopold Favre passed away on April 4th, at his home in Geneva.

Mons. Favre belonged to a very honoured Geneva family, his grandfather having founded the library which now belongs to the city. His education was at the Geneva Academy and at Göttingen University and University College, London. He made a specialty of the archæology of India, and collected a large library on this subject.

But the great work of his life was connected with his love for the Armenians and his sympathy for them in their sufferings. The Favre Boys' Home, so long connected with the Bithynia High School at Bardizag, was a monument to his interest in Armenian orphans. Eight times he came out to this country to see for himself just what could be done to uplift these people; and he travelled as far as Van, Erzroum and Ourfa in carrying out his work of philanthropy and Christian love.

The Journal de Genève says of him:-" He unceasingly urged and encouraged all his fellowlabourers, and he suffered more than can be told at the fate of Armenia since 1915. His grief was particularly poignant when he heard of the death, by massacre or as a result of deportation, of the greater part of the inmates of the Swiss or American orphanages whom he had known and loved. What stories of sufferings he heard in his own home, which was always open to any Armenian who came to him as to the most sympathetic and devoted representative of the friends of Armenia. He was often called 'the father of the Armenians'; and he had received through the Catholicos of Etchmiadzin a magnificent address engrossed in ancient Armenian and illuminated, as a token of the gratitude of the Armenian people for the countless services he had rendered."

"THE ORIENT."

FATE OF ARMENIANS. Lord Curzon's Reply.

(From a Diplomatic Correspondent.)

On Tuesday there was published in these columns the moving appeal, dated March 9, by Senator Luzzatti to the Marquis Curzon on behalf of the Armenians. Through the courtesy of the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs I am able to give the text of his reply, dated March 18:—

"I have watched the Calvary of the Armenian people with feelings as poignant as those which have inspired your letter to me of March 9. It is true, as you say, that justice and not power has guided British policy in the past, but I claim from you a further tribute when I affirm that in the controversies of long past years over the Armenian question Britain has deliberately and with her eyes open sacrificed her material interests in Turkey to her ideals. To-day the sentiments of my country remain substantially the same, but facts have changed to this extent, that, hard pressed as all countries now are, aggressive action on behalf of ideals is not to be contemplated, and it would be disingenuous if I were to veil the fact with phrases.

"The feelings to which I refer continue to inspire the wishes of Great Britain, and within the limits laid down above, and to the extent to which unanimity can be secured among the Allies, you may be assured that at Paris next week I shall not only welcome, but urge, the fullest practicable satisfaction of Armenia's claim."

—Daily Telegraph.

CHRISTIANS IN TURKEY.

The Archbishop of Canterbury said the plight of the Christian minority in the East concerned the House not only because of relations between ecclesiastics, but on the ground of humanity. Though the Prime Minister and others working with and under him were trying to obtain fulfilment of our promises, we were still unable to fulfil them. This he attributed to delay in getting the Treaty with Turkey carried into effect, and to disappointment of the hope of American aid.

He had had constant interviews with representatives of the unhappy people, and had received lamentable tele-

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grams from their Bishops and others who were looking with pathetic hopefulness to this country. There was much perplexity as to a practical means of protecting these scattered Christians, and the great bodies of Armenians.

He asked the House to show that it was caring about the matter, and thereby cheer their brothers in great distress. Aid would have to be backed by forces, but the League of Nations had got no force. He recommended that pressure should be put on the Government and that it should be given to know that it would have support in to some extent helping the oppressed people to security and peace.

The Bishop of London remarked that, seeing that security could not be given to minorities in Ireland, it was easy to understand the difficulty of doing so in the East. Still, as an Englishman and a Christian he was humiliated to think of the unfortunate people left to the mercy of the Turks.

A resolution was passed pressing on the Government the vital importance of giving full effect, in the international arrangements now under consideration, to the promises repeatedly made as to the protection of Christian minorities within the Turkish Empire. The Bishops welcomed the Government's assurance that the League of Nations would be invited to co-operate in the matter.—Morning Post.

Alexandretta.

April 18th, 1922.

"Many thanks for letter and enclosed cheque, which reached me last evening when I returned after a few days on the mountains. I feel much rested and ready, for the big work of beginning to close up here. The

children with Miss Coomber and Miss Webb will, I hope, leave for Ain Anub next Tuesday, a week after Miss Webb leaves Miss Coomber I shall be able to go to her, then I will soon get things organised. When I get there and look round and see its possibilities, I will be able to tell you more about it. The Paris Conference proposals do not give us much hope of returning yet to Deortyoll, but the Lord leads, and if He does bring us a round about way, it is sure to be the right way, so it is all right.

"Vartan, our good Evangelist, said to me this morning: 'What will these poor people do when you leave?' I told him the Lord knew all about it and He will open some way. I believe the greater number of those who have been connected with us here will leave when we do, hoping that we will open some Industrial work in Beirut; it has been a great blessing here, but unless the country settles down enough so that looms could be put up and nice native alaja and material can be made, it is going to be very difficult. So many have learned to work here that I am very thankful.

Our orphans are mostly small girls, but they will soon learn to work. Many thanks for fashion books. I notice you have marked some overalls; it is not possible to get suitable material or I could so easily have them made. The French are giving the people a little more work, which makes things a little easier for them, but there are so many widows and little children, for these it is going to be very hard. I am glad at the thought of our having an orphanage and a home once again; the Lord is good to arrange it."

A. DAVIES.

FRIENDS OF ARMENIA.

	Dr. BALANCE SHEET 3	gist DECEMBER, 1921.	Ģr.
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We have examined the above Balance Sheet dated 31st December, 1921, together with the Books and Vouchers of the Society, and hereby certify that it is in our opinion correct.

3, London Wall Buildings, E.C.2. 30th May, 1922.

GODDARD, DUNKLEY, DAVIE & FRYER,

Chartered Accountants, Auditors.

FRIENDS OF ARMENIA.

INDUSTRIAL ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DEC., 1921.

To Stock at 1st January, 1921 1,290 0 10 Goods on approval in hands of Customers 179 1 6 1,469 2 4	By Sales and Gift to Sale of Work , Stock at cost Goods on approval in hands of Customers 145 o 1
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FRIENDS OF ARMENIA.

Dr. INCOME AND EXPENDI	TURE ACCOUNT	FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DE	C., 1921. Cr.
To Grants:—	,	By Balance from Industrial	
Deortyoll Relief		Account	433 13 3
Work, Helpers		,, Donations—	,00 0 0
salaries and outfit 3,926 11	4 .	General Fund	5,398 17 51
Constantinople, Relief	7.	"Earmarked Monies—	•
Work and Orphans 1,126 5	O .	Amount unexpended	
Russian Relief Work 2 0	o '	at 31st Dec., 1920 43 13	3
Shemlan Orphans 1,668 18	6	Add Receipts during	•
Marash, including	•	1921 1,254 7	10
Mission Helper's			_
salary 287 16	0	1,298 1	I
Jerusalem, Education	• .	Less Amounts not yet paid over carried to	
of two Armenian		Balance Sheet 175 18	•
Boys 10 0		Balance Sheet 1/5 18	
Adana, Relief Work 152 10 Alexandretta Orphans 42 10		"Save the Children	1,122 3 0
Alexandretta Orphans 42 10 Caucasus Famine	U	Fund" 1,560 o	ο .
Fund 2 0	0	Less Amounts not	
Bethlehem Orphans 100 o		paid over 481 17	4
Partial support of	•	<u> </u>	_
İnvalid Armenian		1,078 2	8
Воу 6 о	0	Balance of amount	
Aleppo Orphans 50 o	o .	received in 1920	
"In memory of the		used for grant to	
late Ida Mellinger's		Shemlan per contra 780 o	
service '' 30 o	0	Count in the (Friend)	1,8 ₅ 8 2 8
Soap to Constanti-		,, Grant in 1920 (Erivan)—	
nople, Alexandretta		Part returned ,, Interest on Money on	150 0 0
and Shemlan 11 13	4	Deposit	137 7 2
,, Freight and Carriage on Materials 115 13		,, Lord Mayor's Fund,	-37 7 -2
on Materials 115 13		Joint Appeal—	
,, Special Appeal	7,531 17 5	Proportion of Excess	
" London Expenses—	3. 10 10	of Receipts over	
Rent of Office and		payments	41 9 7
Showroom, Insur-		,, Balance—	
ance, Lighting and		Being excess of Ex-	
Fuel 97 9	3	penditure over In-	
Salaries and Staff		come for year to	
Expenses 670 1		date carried to	
Advertising 806 15		Balance Sheet	603 8 2
Printing & Stationery 42 10			
Cleaning & Sundries 67 10			
Expenses of Sales 80 13 1 Do. Meetings 3 1			
-	6		
Postage 59 17 Repairs 1 19	71 o		
Audit Fee 10 10			
	— 1,840 8 6 1		
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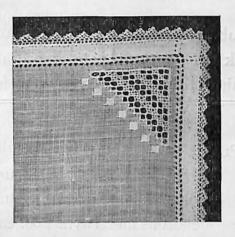
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